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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 12, 1996 for which a Sir: three month period of response is given. A petition and fee for a one month extension of time accompanies this response. Entry of the amendments and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over Tipton et al (U. S. Patent 4,594,378). The rejection states that Tipton et al teaches Applicants' components (A) and (B). The rejection also states that Tipton et al allows the addition of conventional additives. The rejection states that the conventional additives encompass